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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO SECOND RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND

Dear Sir:

This document is filed in response to the further restriction requirement dated 20 April 2005 for the above-identified application. This response includes a FURTHER PROVISIONAL ELECTION with TRAVERSE and a Preliminary Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

If the Examiner continues to maintain that the claims not cancelled herein cannot be examined together, Applicant requests a telephone conference with the Examiner. As this case has been on file with the USPTO since October 26, 2000, Applicant asks that this matter be treated urgently. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (510) 769-3508 to conduct such a conference.